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OF PHILADELPHIA

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR 1907.

The number of volumes in the Library is	75,616
General Library	58,694
Lewis Library	13,454
S. D. Gross Library	3,251
Obstetrical Society Library	217

There are also:

Unbound "Reports" and "Transactions"	8,807
Unbound "Theses" and "Dissertations"	21,733
Unbound Pamphlets	62,300

Not included in the above total there are 1707 duplicates, which will be disposed of as rapidly as possible; and included in the total are 2038 duplicates retained as "reserves" to replace the more frequently used books and journals as they are worn out.

There have been received during the year 3344 volumes, 17,138 pamphlets, and 28,109 numbers of medical periodicals; 630 of the added volumes were new publications, and 40 of these were written or edited by Fellows of the College.

The Library receives by purchase, in exchange, or as gifts from the editors or publishers, 592 periodical publications—170 American and 422 foreign. Thirty new subscriptions were added during the year.

	American.	Foreign.
Henrietta Rush Fales Baker Fund	0	26
William T. Carter Fund	0	16
John D. Griscom Fund	4	36
S. D. Gross Library Account	0	3

	American.	Foreign
William F. Jenks Fund	2	31
Journal Association	1	12
Oliver A. Judson Fund	0	5
William W. Keen Fund	3	15
Library Endowment Fund	4	124
Weir Mitchell Fund	1	32
Philadelphia Medical Society Fund	0	4
Lewis Rodman Fund	0	11
John F. Weightman Fund	0	4
Caspar Wistar Fund	4	13
By Purchase	2	16
In Exchange	81	63
Editors	60	11
Publishers	8	0

In addition, we receive current numbers of 148 American and 92 foreign medical, pharmaceutical, and dental periodicals; in most cases the exchanges of the following journals, sent to the Library at stated intervals, through the courtesy of the editors:

American Journal of the Medical Sciences.
 Medical Council.
 Monthly Cyclopaedia of Practical Medicine.
 Therapeutic Gazette.
 University of Pennsylvania Medical Bulletin.

We exchange publications with the following schools of medicine:

University of Berlin.	University of Halle.
“ Bern.	“ Heidelberg.
“ Bonn.	“ Kiel.
“ Breslau.	“ Königsberg.
“ Erlangen.	“ Leipzig.
“ Geissen.	“ Marburg.
“ Göttingen.	“ Rostock.
“ Griefswald.	“ Strasburg.
Faculty of Medicine of Nancy.	
“	“ Rio de Janeiro.
“	“ Toulouse.

Eight hundred and ninety inaugural dissertations have been received during the year.

Thirty-seven newly published books were presented by the following authors or editors:

Dr. H. S. Anders.	Dr. S. Weir Mitchell.
Dr. J. J. Black.	Dr. J. B. Murphy.
Dr. C. G. Coakley.	Dr. William Osler.
Dr. G. P. Conn.	Dr. Isaac Ott.
Dr. J. C. Da Costa, Jr.	Dr. W. A. Pusey.
Dr. W. Ewart.	Dr. L. B. Rabinovitch.
Dr. J. A. Freeman.	Dr. A. M. Ramsay.
Dr. H. Friedenwald.	Dr. Beverley Robinson.
Dr. C. P. Grayson.	Dr. Ronald Ross.
Dr. H. A. Hare.	Dr. G. E. de Schweinitz (editor).
Dr. C. J. Jackson.	Dr. P. Stewart.
Dr. Edward Jackson (editor).	Dr. J. J. Walsh.
Dr. A. V. Meigs.	Dr. H. E. Wetherill.

Twenty volumes were sent by the publishers at the request of the following authors or editors:

Dr. J. M. Anders.	Dr. Edward Jackson.
Dr. M. S. Cohen.	Dr. Howard A. Kelly.
Dr. W. A. N. Dorland (editor).	Dr. H. R. M. Landis (editor).
Dr. A. P. Francine.	Dr. W. T. Longcope (editor).
Dr. E. P. Gleason.	Dr. E. E. Montgomery.
Dr. J. P. Crozer Griffith.	Dr. Charles P. Noble.
Dr. H. A. Hare (editor).	Dr. Walter L. Pyle.
Dr. J. C. Heisler.	Dr. H. W. Stelwagon.

The following are donors of 25 volumes or more:

Dr. T. V. Crandall	36 volumes.
Dr. Charles W. Dulles	135 "
Dr. A. G. Ellis	27 "
Dr. Hobart A. Hare	91 "
Dr. William Moss	49 "
Dr. Francis R. Packard	149 "
Dr. M. P. Ravenel	37 "
Dr. James Tyson	51 "
Dr. De Forest Willard	40 "
Dr. Horatio C. Wood	910 "

From the publishing houses of:

American Medicine Publishing Co.	12 volumes.
P. Blakiston's Son & Company	34 "
F. A. Davis Company	12 "
Lea Brothers & Company	3 "
J. B. Lippincott Company	13 "
W. B. Saunders Company	29 "
William Wood & Company	3 "

The Library is especially indebted for large gifts of pamphlets and unbound numbers of journals to the following persons.

Dr. Lewis H. Adler, Jr.	Dr. Charles K. Mills.
Dr. Astley P. C. Ashhurst.	Dr. John K. Mitchell.
Dr. S. Solis Cohen.	Dr. S. Weir Mitchell.
Dr. W. A. N. Dorland.	Dr. E. E. Montgomery.
Dr. David L. Edsall.	Dr. Charles A. Oliver.
Dr. A. A. Eshner.	Dr. Francis R. Packard.
Dr. Charles H. Frazier.	Dr. David Riesman.
Dr. S. McC. Hamill.	Dr. G. E. de Schweinitz.
Dr. Alfred Hand.	Dr. J. Alison Scott.
Dr. Hobart A. Hare.	Dr. J. M. Swan.
Dr. G. C. Harlan.	Dr. J. J. Taylor.
Dr. F. P. Henry.	Dr. C. F. Taylor.
Dr. W. W. Keen.	Dr. William Thomson.
Dr. A. O. J. Kelly.	Dr. J. William White.
Dr. R. G. Le Conte.	Dr. De Forest Willard.
Dr. Joseph Leidy.	Dr. C. S. Witherstine.
Dr. G. M. Marshall.	Dr. A. C. Wood.
Dr. Edward Martin.	Dr. H. C. Wood.
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And to:

American Medicine Publishing Co.	Powers, Weightman, Rosengarten Co.
P. Blakiston's Son & Company.	W. B. Saunders Company.
J. B. Lippincott Company.	William R. Warner & Company.
H. K. Mulford Company.	John Wyeth & Brother.

The following is the account of books purchased by the "Funds":

	Volumes purchased.	Cost.	Volumes bound.	Cost.
Henrietta Rush Fales Baker Fund	71	\$173.15	29	\$21.55
Luther S. Bent Fund	32	48.33	12	7.40
William T. Carter Fund	46	191.26	27	22.30
John D. Griscom Fund	84	235.07	32	24.00
William F. Jenks Fund	84	257.51	16	14.75
Oliver A. Judson Fund	11	45.14	3	1.90
William V. & John M. Keating Fd	9	18.48	5	3.10
William W. Keen Fund	79	241.02	41	31.65
Library Endowment Fund	165	674.35	2	1.35
Weir Mitchell Fund	49	298.10
Philadelphia Med. Soc. Fund	5	12.30
Lewis Rodman Fund	63	245.94	26	27.00
John F. Weightman Fund	15	45.39	12	9.15
Caspar Wistar Fund	25	165.30	12	11.65
Total	738	\$2651.34	217	\$175.80

Special Accounts:

Fund for completing journals	173	\$320.90		
Journal Association	22	146.60		
New Book Fund	35	72.84		
J. Ewing Mears' Account	17	86.41	8	\$9.25
S. D. Gross Library Account	26	136.13	16	18.65
Total	273	\$762.88	24	\$27.90

George B. Wood Fund:

For Library supplies, stationery, etc.	\$324.89
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There have been 7058 visits to the Library recorded; of these, 3049 were made by Fellows of the College; 20,048 volumes have been consulted in the Library, besides books taken from the shelves by Fellows of the College, of which no record can be kept; 4562 volumes have been taken out; 1312 works and 1008 volumes have been catalogued, and 3598 cards have been written.

All accessions of books and the more important pamphlets have been catalogued; the books accessioned and shelf-listed; 18,895 pamphlets have been examined, and 6182 retained and classified; 8510 volumes of the Lewis Library have been re-accessioned.

Revision of Catalogue:

Number of cards revised, typewritten, examined, and indexed for the
 year ending November 1, 1907 18,220
 1141 volumes have been bound.

We have received during the year \$224.36 from the sale of duplicates, and there is a credit to our exchange account with the New York Medical Book Company of \$192.74. The amount of fines collected is \$45.50.

In the spring the College granted permission to the Library Committee to occupy the meeting-room on the first floor, and in August wooden stacks were erected there at a cost of \$151.68, met by cash on hand in the Book Stack Fund. By moving 30,000 volumes, the librarian has been able to gain room, which may be sufficient for a year or two, for the more congested classes of books. With the great temporary relief granted by the use of this room, and the cheering hope of plenty of space in the near future, your Committee is glad to be able, this year, to spare the Fellows the usual jeremiade about the distressing want of shelf-room to store the books.

The resignation of the librarian's first assistant, the chief cataloguer, and the assistant cataloguer has somewhat retarded the work, but their places have been filled by others who seem likely to be efficient after a little experience, and all goes well with the Library.

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